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In re the Application of

Inventors: Naoyasu MIYAGAWA, et al. Art Unit: 2753

Serial No.: 09/609,699 Examiner: N. Hindi

Filed: November 22, 1999

For: OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR  
OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE  
THICKNESSES

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 11, 2001, please  
amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows (Exhibit I  
contains a marked up version):

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287. An optical recording/reproducing apparatus for  
recording, reproducing or erasing an information signal onto/from  
any one of N types (where  $N \geq 2$ ) of optical discs having first  
layers of different thicknesses, each type of said optical discs  
having at least said first layer being transparent and a second  
layer for storing information, said apparatus comprising:  
a light emitting means for emitting a light flux;